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Japan	2003-435943	26, Dec. 2003		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N

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